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Camp at Philip's Barrens Co. Va
June 23rd. 1861.

Having been asked to give my signature to the within letter I can do so cheerfully to most of it (that which has passed) although I have not felt the effects of such fare as much as most of the boys. As to the part of the letter which consists of prophecy I can not vouch for but it may all come to pass, the prospects are about equal. As to the motives of our officers that is not for me to say, I have thought that they were sincere but it may be otherwise or it may be the fault lie for lack of them in main, and that they have been foiled I can not with a Christian spirit judge others in their motives. It may be that I come expecting worse fare than the rest and have not been so much disappointed. It is too true that we have endured many

unnecessary evils which might have
been remedied by some body that is
the right one whoever that may be
for we have had no waggon to bring
up food, when for several days
we were several miles from R. R.
Yours truly J. O. Salisbury

P.S. As to the three year question
which is up I can say for myself
that I think I shall wait till
my three months are out before
I should like to say yes or no
these are my present feelings. We
will see how matter looks after
our promised furlough of two
weeks at the expiration of our pres-
ent term. J O Salisbury